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TAGS:OVIP, (KISSINGER, HENRY A.)

SUBJECT: AP ITEM - PORTUGAL

FOLLOWING IS QUOTED AP ITEM 054, 11:22 AED 3/16/75:

QUOTE LISBON -- THE ENTIRE PORTUGUESE PROVISIONAL GOVERN-  
HAS RESIBNED IN PREPARATION FOR A WIDESPREAD CABINET  
RESHUFFLE THAT IS EXPECTED TO REFLECT GROWING COMMUNIST  
INFLUENCE.

IT WAS LIKELY THAT MARIO SOARES, A STRONG SUPPORTER OF THE  
ATLANTIC ALLIANCE, WOULD BE REPLACED AS FOREIGN MINISTER  
IN THE NEW CABINET. THAT WORD CAME FROM ONE OF THE  
MINISTERS WHO RESIGNED. HE TOLD THE ASSOCIATED PRESS  
THAT PREMIER VASCO GONCALVES WAS STILL CONSULTING  
CANDIDATES FOR A CABINET THAT WAS EXPECTED TO RETAIN A  
PREDOMINANT MILITARY COMPOSITION BUT ADMIT MORE COMMUNISTS  
AND OPEN THE GOVERNMENT TO A SATELLITE PARTY.

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IT WAS PRACTICALLY CERTAIN THAT THE PORTUGUESE DEMOCRATIC

MOVEMENT (M-D-P) -- CALLED "COMMUNIST PARTY NUMBER TWO"  
BY THE SOCIALISTS -- WOULD BE BROUGHT INTO THE GOVERNMENT  
TO HELP RUN AN ECONOMY AND A GOVERNMENT THAT IS SPEEDING  
LEFTWARD. END QUOTE. INGERSOLL

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